## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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ALL COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE NO. 1-47-90

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF RECENT CHANGES TO THE INDEPENDENT LIVING

PROGRAM AS A RESULT OF PUBLIC LAW 101-239 AND THE FEDERAL

PROGRAM INSTRUCTION ISSUED JANUARY 12, 1990.

The purpose of this All County Information Notice (ACIN) is to provide a summary of the provisions adopted in the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1989 (Public Law 101-239), which affect the Independent Living Program. Also presented are the requirements set forth in the Program Instruction issued January 12, 1990 by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children, Youth and Families.

The provisions of Public Law 101-239 that pertain to the Independent Living Program are as follows:

- 1. Authorization for payments to any state which provides for the establishment and carrying out of an Independent Living Program is extended through Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 1992. (This is three years beyond that authorized by Public Law 100-647.)
- 2. The total amount of independent living funds for all states approved for FFY 1990 is \$50,000,000. California's anticipated share of the total is \$8,915,552 for use during the FFY beginning October 1, 1990 through September 30, 1991.

NOTE: California's application for the funds for FFY 1990 was transmitted to the federal Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) and has recently been approved.

3. The total of funds authorized nationwide for FFY 1991 is \$45,000,000 plus an additional \$15,000,000. The total of funds authorized nationwide for FFY 1992 is \$45,000,000 plus an additional \$25,000,000. The additional amounts for FFYs 1991 and 1992 (\$15,000,000 and \$25,000,000) require a 50% state match.

NOTE: The amount of the basic and the additional amounts allocated to California for FFY 1991 and 1992, as well as specific instructions for requesting the allocated funds, will be provided by DHHS later this year.

The items addressed in the federal Program Instruction issued January 12, 1990 are as follows:

1. Individual case plans:

Each participant must be provided a written transitional independent living plan based on an assessment of his/her needs. The transitional independent living plan must be incorporated into the participant's case plan. (Reference: Section 475 (1) of the Social Security Act.)

2. Incentive information:

Payments and services provided under the Independent Living Program shall not be considered as income or resources for purposes of determining eligibility of participants for aid under the State's Title IV-A or Title IV-E plan or for determining the level of such aid. (Reference: Section 477(h) of the Social Security Act.)

3. Six month after-care provision:

Independent living services may be provided to any child who was previously in foster care and is no longer in foster care. This includes children who have previously been in foster care and have been reunified with their families. These "after-care" services must be provided within six months of the date foster care services or foster care payments ceased. (If the date foster care payments ceased is different than the date foster care services ceased, the latest date is used as the start date for the six month period in which after-care services may be provided.)

If you have any questions, please contact your Adult and Family Services Operations consultant at (916) 445-0623.

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